

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

This amendment responds to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, in which the Examiner required information, objected to the Specification, rejected claims 5 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 101, and rejected claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

In the Office Action, the Examiner requested Applicants identify pending or abandoned applications that disclose similar subject matter filed by at least one of the inventors or assigned to the same assignee as the current application. The Applicants cannot readily obtain this required information. However, attached to this response is a copy of a search done for the two inventors of the current application. Mr. Watanabe is listed as inventor on 25 patents, while Mr. Kondo is listed as inventor in 370 patents. Further information is currently not readily obtainable.

As indicated above, the Specification has been amended for the priority information. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the objection to the Specification.

As indicated above, claims 5 and 7 have been amended to be directed to statutory subject matter. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claims 5 and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 101.

Claim 1 claims an apparatus for processing an image signal, claim 5 claims a method therefore, claim 6 claims a computer-readable medium, and claim 7 claims a program. The apparatus, method, medium and program include converting a first image signal, constituted by plural items of pixel data, into a second image signal constituted of plural items of pixel data. Plural items of pixel data located in a space directional periphery with respect to a position obtained by performing motion compensation on a target position are selected by using motion

vector stored in a plurality of frame memory portions together with the pixel data, from the frame memory portions in which frames before and after the current frame are stored.

By selecting plural items of pixel data by using motion vector corresponding to the target pixel, as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7, the claimed invention provides an apparatus, method, medium and program which can convert an image signal containing coding noise into an image signal from which the coding noise is removed. The prior art does not show, teach or suggest the invention as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7.

Claims 1-7 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by *Kondo, et al.* (JP 2002-223167).

Applicants respectfully traverse the Examiner's rejection of claims 1-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b). The claims have been reviewed in light of the Office Action, and for reasons set forth below, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraw the rejection to the claims and allows the claims to issue

*Kondo, et al.* appears to disclose (in corresponding U.S. Application Publication No. 2003/0152165) in FIG. 3 a tap generation circuit 31 which generates a prediction tap, used for a prediction calculation executed in a prediction section 35 from the first decoded data, the first additional information, the second decoded data and the second additional information. More specifically, the tap generation circuit 31 extracts first decoded data and second decoded data that are closer in time or in space aimed-at data that is aimed at because it is to be improved in quality, also extracts first additional information and second additional information used for decoding that first decoded data and that second decoded data and then sends extracted data (information) to the prediction section 35 as the prediction tap [0069]. The prediction section 35 obtains the prediction tap output from the tap generation section 31 and the tap coefficient output

from the coefficient memory 34, uses the prediction tap and the tap coefficients to perform a linear prediction calculation and obtains and outputs data acquired by improving the quality of the aimed-at data, that is, a prediction value of the aimed-at data having higher quality [0074].

Thus, *Kondo, et al.* merely discloses a tap generation section 31 which extracts a plurality of pixel data located in time or space directional periphery. However, nothing in *Kondo, et al.* shows, teaches or suggests selecting pixel data from different frames by using motion vector corresponding to a target pixel as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7. In other words, nothing in *Kondo, et al.* shows, teaches, or suggests selecting plural items of pixel data located in a space directional periphery with respect to a position obtained by performing motion compensation on the target position by using the motion vector stored in the plurality of frame memory portions together with the pixel data, from the frame memory portions in which frames before and after the current frame are stored as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7. Rather, *Kondo, et al.* only discloses selecting pixels but does not use a motion vector to select pixel data or obtain position of a target pixel by performing motion compensation.

Applicants respectfully point out that selecting pixel data from different frames by using motion vector corresponding to the target pixel is shown in FIG. 8 of Applicants' Specification. Nowhere in *Kondo, et al.*, does *Kondo, et al.* show, teach or suggest using motion vector or performing motion compensation such as shown in FIG. 8 of Applicants application.

Additionally, FIG. 8 in *Kondo, et al.* merely discloses an example structure of an encoder encoding an audio signal [0132]. FIG. 9 shows a decoder used when the encoder 1 is configured for audio encoding [0163]. FIG. 10 shows an example of an encoder 1 used for encoding still-picture image data by a JPEG method [0170]. FIG. 11 shows the structure of a decoder used when the encoder is configured to encode still-picture image data [0176]. FIG. 12 shows an

example of the structure of an encoder used when it encodes motion-picture image data by MPEG2 method [0180]. FIG. 13 shows the structure of a decoding section 21 used when the encoder is configured to encode motion-picture image data by MPEG2 [0188]. The encoder of FIG. 12 includes a motion compensation circuit 140 to output a reference image [0187]. The decoder of FIG. 13 also includes a motion compensation circuit 156 which outputs a reference image [0192].

Thus, *Kondo, et al.* merely discloses using motion compensation circuits 140 and 156 in order to output a reference image when encoding/decoding a moving image of MPEG2. Nothing in *Kondo, et al.* shows, teaches or suggests using motion compensation for data selection as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7. Rather, *Kondo, et al.* only discloses motion compensation used during MPEG coding or decoding. In other words, nothing in *Kondo, et al.* shows, teaches or suggests selecting plural items with respect to a position obtained by performing motion compensation on a target position by using the motion vectors as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7.

Since nothing in *Kondo, et al.* shows, teaches or suggests selecting pixel data from different frames using motion vectors corresponding to the target pixel as claimed in claims 1 and 5-7, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claims 1 and 5-7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Claims 2-4 depend from claim 1 and recite additional features. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-4 would not have been anticipated by *Kondo, et al.* within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), at least for the reasons as set forth above. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner withdraws the rejection to claims 2-4 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

The prior art of record, which is not relied upon, is acknowledged. The references taken singularly or in combination do not anticipate or make obvious the claimed invention.

Thus, it now appears that the application is in condition for a reconsideration and allowance. Reconsideration and allowance at an early date are respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

If for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact, by telephone, the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the indicated telephone number to arrange for an interview to expedite the disposition of this case.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed within the currently set shortened statutory period, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such extension of time may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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1 7,467,083	<b>T</b> Data processing apparatus
2 7,412,384	<b>T</b> Digital signal processing method, learning method, apparatuses for them, and program storage medium
3 7,397,512	<b>T</b> Information signal processing apparatus, picture information converting apparatus, and picture displaying apparatus
4 7,366,660	<b>T</b> Transmission apparatus, transmission method, reception apparatus, reception method, and transmission/reception apparatus
5 7,336,832	<b>T</b> Processor and processing method for an image signal, image display apparatus, generation apparatus and generation method for coefficient data used therein, program for executing each of these methods, and computer-readable medium recording the program
6 7,283,961	<b>T</b> High-quality speech synthesis device and method by classification and prediction processing of synthesized sound
7 7,269,559	<b>T</b> Speech decoding apparatus and method using prediction and class taps
8 <del>7,127,736</del>	<b>T</b> Content processing apparatus and content processing method for digest information based on input of a content user
9 7,113,225	<b>T</b> Information signal processing apparatus, picture information converting apparatus, and picture displaying apparatus
10 7,082,220	<b>T</b> Data processing apparatus
11 7,068,845	<b>T</b> Information processing apparatus using class-classification adaptive processing
12 7,002,587	<b>T</b> Semiconductor device, image data processing apparatus and method
13 6,990,475	<b>T</b> Digital signal processing method, learning method, apparatus thereof and program storage medium
14 6,912,014	<b>T</b> Image processing device and method, and recording medium

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2 <a href="#">7,495,707</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Signal processing apparatus and method, recording medium, and program</a>
3 <a href="#">7,488,078</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Display apparatus, image processing apparatus and image processing method, imaging apparatus, and program</a>
4 <a href="#">7,486,325</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Method and apparatus for taking an image, method and apparatus for processing an image, and program and storage medium</a>
5 <a href="#">7,486,253</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Transmitting device and transmitting method, receiving device and receiving method, transmitting/receiving device and transmitting/receiving method, recorded medium, and signal</a>
6 <a href="#">7,483,565</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Image processing device and method, learning device and method, recording medium, and program</a>
7 <a href="#">7,483,079</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Signal processing apparatus, signal processing method, storage medium, and program</a>
8 <a href="#">7,477,801</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Information processing apparatus</a>
9 <a href="#">7,477,786</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Data conversion device, data conversion method, learning device, learning method, program, and recording medium</a>
10 <a href="#">7,477,761</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Image processing apparatus and method, and image-capturing apparatus</a>
11 <a href="#">7,477,305</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Imaging device and imaging method</a>
12 <a href="#">7,477,289</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Image processing apparatus and method, and image pickup apparatus</a>
13 <a href="#">7,474,806</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Information processing apparatus</a>
14 <a href="#">7,467,083</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Data processing apparatus</a>
15 <a href="#">7,460,178</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Image processing apparatus and image processing method</a>
16 <a href="#">7,454,083</a>	<a href="#">T</a> <a href="#">Image processing apparatus, image processing method, noise-amount estimate</a>



- apparatus, noise-amount estimate method, and storage medium
- 17 [7,453,936](#) **T** [Transmitting apparatus and method, receiving apparatus and method, program and recording medium, and transmitting/receiving system](#)
  - 18 [7,450,764](#) **T** [Image processing device and method, learning device and method, recording medium, and program](#)
  - 19 [7,447,378](#) **T** [Image processing device, method, and program](#)
  - 20 [7,443,590](#) **T** [Imaging apparatus and method, and method for designing imaging apparatus](#)
  - 21 [7,440,029](#) **T** [Apparatus and method for processing informational signal](#)
  - 22 [7,434,943](#) **T** [Display apparatus, image processing apparatus and image processing method, imaging apparatus, and program](#)
  - 23 [7,424,130](#) **T** [Coding apparatus and method, decoding apparatus and method, data processing system, storage medium, and signal](#)
  - 24 [7,424,057](#) **T** [Data format transcoding apparatus and associated method](#)
  - 25 [7,422,332](#) **T** [Wall structure](#)
  - 26 [7,412,384](#) **T** [Digital signal processing method, learning method, apparatuses for them, and program storage medium](#)
  - 27 [7,412,075](#) **T** [Picture processing apparatus for processing picture data in accordance with background information](#)
  - 28 [7,409,074](#) **T** [Information processing apparatus and system using pixel data](#)
  - 29 [7,406,712](#) **T** [Communication apparatus, communication method, and recording medium used therewith](#)
  - 30 [7,403,235](#) **T** [Integrated circuit and information signal processing apparatus having multiple processing portions](#)
  - 31 [7,401,177](#) **T** [Data storage device, data storage control apparatus, data storage control method, and data storage control program](#)
  - 32 [7,397,512](#) **T** [Information signal processing apparatus, picture information converting apparatus, and picture displaying apparatus](#)
  - 33 [7,394,812](#) **T** [Apparatus and method for processing informational signal](#)
  - 34 [7,385,650](#) **T** [Device and method for processing image signal, program for performing the method, and computer-readable medium for recording the program](#)
  - 35 [7,382,830](#) **T** [Apparatus for generating motion control signal from image signal](#)
  - 36 [7,379,878](#) **T** [Information encoding apparatus and method, information decoding apparatus and method, recording medium utilizing spectral switching for embedding additional information in an audio signal](#)
  - 37 [7,373,431](#) **T** [Signal processing apparatus, signal processing method, signal processing system, program and medium](#)
  - 38 [7,372,997](#) **T** [Data conversion device, data conversion method, learning device, learning method, program and recording medium](#)
  - 39 [7,369,142](#) **T** [Image-displaying apparatus and method for obtaining pixel data therefor](#)
  - 40 [7,366,660](#) **T** [Transmission apparatus, transmission method, reception apparatus, reception method, and transmission/reception apparatus](#)
  - 41 [7,352,917](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus and method, and image pickup apparatus](#)
  - 42 [7,343,027](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus, image signal generation method, information recording medium, and image processing program](#)
  - 43 [7,342,601](#) **T** [Communication system, communication device, seating-order determination device,](#)

communication method, recording medium, group-determination-table generating method, and group-determination-table generating device

44 7,340,106 **T** Image processing apparatus and method, and image-capturing apparatus

45 7,340,097 **T** Image processing apparatus, image processing method, and recording medium

46 7,339,617 **T** Image providing device and its providing method, image processing device and processing method, and storage medium

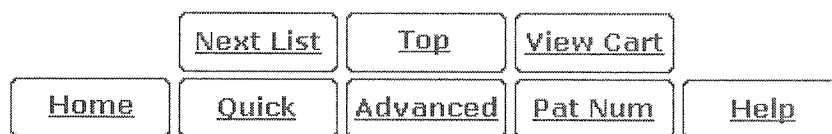
47 7,336,832 **T** Processor and processing method for an image signal, image display apparatus, generation apparatus and generation method for coefficient data used therein, program for executing each of these methods, and computer-readable medium recording the program

48 7,336,829 **T** Data processing apparatus and method and recording medium

49 7,336,818 **T** Image processing device and method, and image-taking device

50 7,328,447 **T** Optical recording medium manufacturing device, method, optical recording medium, reproduction device, method, recording device, and method

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53 <a href="#">7,313,386</a>	<a href="#">T Data processing system and method, communication system and method, and charging device and method</a>
54 <a href="#">7,305,136</a>	<a href="#">T Image processing apparatus</a>
55 <a href="#">7,298,905</a>	<a href="#">T Image processing apparatus and method, communication apparatus, communication system and method, and recording medium</a>
56 <a href="#">7,289,671</a>	<a href="#">T Data processing apparatus and method and recording medium</a>
57 <a href="#">7,286,184</a>	<a href="#">T Information signal processing device, information signal processing method, image signal processing device and image display device using it, coefficient type data creating device used therein and creating method, coefficient data creating device and creating method, and information providing medium</a>
58 <a href="#">7,283,961</a>	<a href="#">T High-quality speech synthesis device and method by classification and prediction processing of synthesized sound</a>
59 <a href="#">7,283,678</a>	<a href="#">T Data processing apparatus and method and recording medium</a>
60 <a href="#">7,283,173</a>	<a href="#">T Coefficient seed data or coefficient data production device used in image display apparatus, method for producing coefficient seed data or coefficient data used in image display apparatus, program therefor, and computer-readable medium for storing the same</a>
61 <a href="#">7,280,152</a>	<a href="#">T Coefficient seed data or coefficient data production device used in image display apparatus, method for producing coefficient seed data or coefficient data used in</a>

- image display apparatus, program therefor, and computer-readable medium for storing the same
- 62 7,277,894 **T** Control system, control apparatus, control method, storage medium, and program
- 63 7,269,559 **T** Speech decoding apparatus and method using prediction and class taps
- 64 7,262,808 **T** Apparatus and method for generating coefficients, apparatus and method for generating class configuration, informational signal processing apparatus, and programs for performing these methods
- 65 7,260,260 **T** Image processing apparatus and method
- 66 7,248,599 **T** Signal processing apparatus
- 67 7,245,774 **T** Image processing apparatus
- 68 7,240,128 **T** Data processing apparatus and data processing method that generates a final class code
- 69 7,233,364 **T** Apparatus and method for generating coefficient data, apparatus and method for processing information signal using the same, apparatus and method for obtaining coefficient data used therefor, and information providing medium
- 70 7,221,863 **T** Image processing apparatus and method, and program and recording medium used therewith
- 71 7,221,778 **T** Image processing apparatus and method, and image pickup apparatus
- 72 7,218,791 **T** Image processing device and method, and imaging device
- 73 7,212,245 **T** Information signal processing device, information signal processing method, image signal processing device and image display device using it, coefficient type data creating device used therein and creating method, and information providing medium
- 74 7,209,595 **T** Image processing apparatus, image processing method, noise-amount estimate apparatus, noise-amount estimate method, and storage medium
- 75 7,206,452 **T** Data processing apparatus and method and recording medium
- 76 7,206,018 **T** Signal processing method and apparatus and recording medium
- 77 7,181,080 **T** Image processing apparatus and method, and image pickup apparatus
- 78 7,174,051 **T** Information processing apparatus for adaptive processing circuits
- 79 7,155,057 **T** Apparatus for and method of processing image and apparatus for and method of encoding image
- 80 7,154,541 **T** Image processing device
- 81 7,146,286 **T** Monitoring system, information processing apparatus and method, recording medium, and program
- 82 7,146,023 **T** Image processor, image signal generating method, information recording medium, and image processing program
- 83 7,139,019 **T** Image processing device
- 84 7,136,942 **T** Data processing apparatus and data processing method that generates a final class code
- 85 7,136,527 **T** Apparatus and method for extracting artificial images and program for performing the method
- 86 7,133,562 **T** Image processing apparatus
- 87 7,130,464 **T** Image processing device
- 88 7,127,736 **T** Content processing apparatus and content processing method for digest information based on input of a content user

- 89 [7,113,225](#) **T** [Information signal processing apparatus, picture information converting apparatus, and picture displaying apparatus](#)
  - 90 [7,102,503](#) **T** [Monitoring system, method and apparatus for processing information, storage medium, and program](#)
  - 91 [7,088,768](#) **T** [Data processing apparatus and data processing method](#)
  - 92 [7,085,318](#) **T** [Image processing system, image processing method, program, and recording medium](#)
  - 93 [7,085,172](#) **T** [Data storage apparatus, data storage control apparatus, data storage control method, and data storage control program](#)
  - 94 [7,082,220](#) **T** [Data processing apparatus](#)
  - 95 [7,080,312](#) **T** [Data transformation for explicit transmission of control information](#)
  - 96 [7,076,097](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus and method, communication apparatus, communication system and method, and recorded medium](#)
  - 97 [7,072,829](#) **T** [Speech recognition from concurrent visual and audible inputs](#)
  - 98 [7,072,491](#) **T** [Integrative encoding system and adaptive decoding system](#)
  - 99 [7,072,240](#) **T** [Apparatus for processing data, memory bank used therefor, semiconductor device, and memory for reading out pixel data](#)
  - 100 [7,071,990](#) **T** [Display apparatus, display method, program, storage medium, and display system](#)
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101 <a href="#">7,071,930</a>	<a href="#">T Active matrix display device, video signal processing device, method of driving the active matrix display device, method of processing signal, computer program executed for driving the active matrix display device, and storage medium storing the computer program</a>
102 <a href="#">7,069,187</a>	<a href="#">T Individual authentication apparatus, individual authentication method, and computer program</a>
103 <a href="#">7,068,845</a>	<a href="#">T Information processing apparatus using class-classification adaptive processing</a>
104 <a href="#">7,061,539</a>	<a href="#">T Information signal processing device, information signal processing method, image signal processing device, image display comprising the same, and information providing medium</a>
105 <a href="#">7,061,538</a>	<a href="#">T Image-information converting apparatus and method, image displaying apparatus and method, coefficient calculating apparatus and method, coefficient-data storing apparatus, apparatus and method for detecting part where picture quality is degraded, recording medium, and program</a>
106 <a href="#">7,050,633</a>	<a href="#">T Image processing apparatus and method, and storage medium therefor</a>
107 <a href="#">7,050,092</a>	<a href="#">T Signal processing apparatus, signal processing method, and presentation system</a>
108 <a href="#">7,047,325</a>	<a href="#">T Data processing apparatus, data processing method, and recording medium therefor</a>
109 <a href="#">7,042,513</a>	<a href="#">T Information signal processing device, information signal processing method, image signal processing device, image signal processing method and image displaying method using it, coefficient kind data generating device and method used therein, and computer readable medium and program</a>

- 110 [7,038,729](#) **T** [Device and method for producing coefficient seed data used for format conversion, and information-providing medium therefore](#)
- 111 [7,035,471](#) **T** [Data processing device and data processing method and recorded medium](#)
- 112 [7,031,522](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus and method, and storage medium therefor](#)
- 113 [7,031,513](#) **T** [Data processing apparatus and data processing method](#)
- 114 [7,031,384](#) **T** [Apparatus for generating motion control signal from image signal](#)
- 115 [7,024,050](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus](#)
- 116 [7,024,038](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus and method, and storage medium therefor](#)
- 117 [7,010,737](#) **T** [Method and apparatus for error data recovery](#)
- 118 [7,009,579](#) **T** [Transmitting apparatus and method, receiving apparatus and method, transmitting and receiving apparatus and method, record medium and signal](#)
- 119 [7,003,163](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus](#)
- 120 [7,002,587](#) **T** [Semiconductor device, image data processing apparatus and method](#)
- 121 [6,999,633](#) **T** [Data processing apparatus and method](#)
- 122 [6,996,282](#) **T** [Encoding apparatus, encoding method, decoding apparatus, decoding method, and record medium](#)
- 123 [6,996,184](#) **T** [Image-data processing apparatus](#)
- 124 [6,990,489](#) **T** [Information processing apparatus, system and method, and recording medium](#)
- 125 [6,990,475](#) **T** [Digital signal processing method, learning method, apparatus thereof and program storage medium](#)
- 126 [6,990,244](#) **T** [Integrative encoding system and adaptive decoding system](#)
- 127 [6,987,884](#) **T** [Image processing device and method, and recorded medium](#)
- 128 [6,987,539](#) **T** [Image signal conversion apparatus, method and display for image signal conversion based on selected pixel data](#)
- 129 [6,985,186](#) **T** [Coefficient data generating apparatus and method, information processing apparatus and method using the same, coefficient-generating-data generating device and method therefor, and information providing medium used therewith](#)
- 130 [6,985,155](#) **T** [Memory device and image processing apparatus using same](#)
- 131 [6,975,771](#) **T** [Coding device and method using a strong correlation noted pixel selection](#)
- 132 [6,975,770](#) **T** [Image compression and decompression with predictor selection based on embedding data](#)
- 133 [6,970,605](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus, image processing method, noise-amount estimate apparatus, noise-amount estimate method, and storage medium](#)
- 134 [6,970,508](#) **T** [Image coding and decoding using mapping coefficients corresponding to class information of pixel blocks](#)
- 135 [6,968,074](#) **T** [Image processing device, image processing method, and storage medium](#)
- 136 [6,965,697](#) **T** [Coding apparatus and method, decoding apparatus and method, data processing system, storage medium, and signal](#)
- 137 [6,965,693](#) **T** [Image processor, image processing method, and recorded medium](#)
- 138 [6,963,999](#) **T** [Source coding to provide for robust error recovery during transmission losses](#)
- 139 [6,956,960](#) **T** [Image processing device, image processing method, and storage medium](#)
- 140 [6,940,996](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus, image processing method, and storage medium](#)
- 141 [6,934,414](#) **T** [Image processing apparatus, image processing method, and recording medium](#)

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- 142 [6,931,156](#) **T** [Coding apparatus and method, decoding apparatus and method, data processing system, storage medium and signal](#)
- 143 [6,912,014](#) **T** [Image processing device and method, and recording medium](#)
- 144 [6,907,413](#) **T** [Digital signal processing method, learning method, apparatuses for them, and program storage medium](#)
- 145 [6,904,172](#) **T** [Coding device and method, and decoding device and method](#)
- 146 [6,901,027](#) **T** [Apparatus for processing data, memory bank used therefor, semiconductor device, and method for reading out pixel data](#)
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- 233 [6,324,304](#) **T** [Picture coding apparatus and method thereof](#)
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350 5,196,931 **T** Highly efficient coding apparatus producing encoded high resolution signals reproducible by a VTR intended for use with standard resolution signals

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